

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Law Enforcement & Courts
CHAIRPERSON: Bill Bingham, Chairman
DATE/TIME: July 19, 2021 @ 4:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Jo Daviess County – 3rd floor County Board Room

PRESENT – Law Enforcement & Courts:

☒ Bill Bingham	☐ Vacant	☒ LaDon Trost
☒ Darcy Wild	☒ John Korth	☐ Vacant
☒ Don Zillig		

A quorum was established.

Other Board Members: Don Hill and Diane Gallagher

Others: Kathy Phillips, Scott Toot and Kevin Turner

1. Minutes Approval:

- a) Minutes from June 21, 2021 Law Enforcement & Courts Committee meeting – **Don Zillig made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2021 Law Enforcement & Courts Committee meeting. Seconded by John Korth and motion carried following a voice vote resulting in all ayes.**

2. **Citizens' Comments:** Diane Gallagher commented that the Development & Planning Committee will be looking at cell phone usage and land line usage with guest accommodations.

3. Unfinished Business

- a) FY2021/FY2022 Strategic Goals and Plans – The committee reviewed their strategic goals and plans.
- b) Update on the MDFPD Communication Tower Project – Bill Bingham commented that this project has taken considerable time to complete, but in doing so the final cost of the project is significantly less than anticipated. Bingham shared a letter from Paul Kurt updating the committee on the progress of the project.

4. New Business

- a) Discussion and possible action on Estimate #1973 for carpet in the large courtroom from Knautz Flooring, Inc. in the amount of \$5,760.00 – Sheriff Turner commented that we were granted an unfunded request for FY2021 to put new flooring in the Courthouse on the first, second and third floors. We reached out to a contractor that works for Knautz Flooring to give us a quote for the first and second floor. There are five quotes that Sheriff would like discussion on. Bill Bingham added that he has talked to County Administrator Scott Toot about these bids and asked about other opportunities for others to bid on this. Toot advised that if the project was going to be completed all at once the amount would be over the purchasing threshold and would require three bids. Sheriff Turner advised that this project would need to be completed in stages due to construction issues. Sheriff also advised that the carpet in the large courtroom is very outdated and should be one of the top priorities. Second being tile replacement on the first floor west. LaDon Trost suggested reaching out to Vanderheyden Furniture. The owners are lifelong residents of Jo Daviess County and their business does provide flooring/carpet services. Bingham suggested that this item for carpet in the large courtroom be looked at now. The other items 6b-6e will be deferred until further estimates can be gathered from other local vendors. **Don Hill made a motion to approve Estimate #1973 for carpet in the large courtroom from Knautz Flooring, Inc.**

in the amount of \$5,760.00. Seconded by Don Zillig and motion carried following a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

- b) Discussion and possible action on Estimate #1974 for Courthouse second floor carpet from Knautz Flooring, Inc. in the amount of \$11,810.00. Deferred until a later date.
- c) Discussion and possible action on Estimate #1975 for Courthouse second floor hallway vinyl flooring from Knautz Flooring, Inc. in the amount of \$11,320.00. Deferred until a later date.
- d) Discussion and possible action on Estimate #1976 for Courthouse first floor – East vinyl flooring from Knautz Flooring, Inc. in the amount of \$7,925.00. Deferred until a later date.
- e) Discussion and possible action on Estimate #1977 for Courthouse first floor – West vinyl flooring from Knautz Flooring, Inc. in the amount of \$10,785.00. Deferred until a later date.

5. Staff Reports

- a) **Sheriff's Report** - Sheriff Turner informed he had a meeting with all of the police officers regarding the new police reform bill. There still needs to be some clarification with the State on some items. The police reform bill involves more required training and reporting to the State of Illinois. Sheriff also advised that the Department of Corrections has started to accept some of the DOC inmates currently housed in Jo Daviess County.
- b) **Circuit Clerk's Office** – Kathy Phillips, Clerk of the Circuit Court, nothing to report at this time.
- c) **Probation** – Jamie Watson, Chief County Probation Officer, was not in attendance.
- d) **Public Defender** – Reports were included in the informational packet.

6. Citizens' Comments – None.

7. Board Member Concerns – None.

The next Law Enforcement & Courts Committee meeting will be Monday, August 16, 2021, at 4:30 p.m. at the Jo Daviess County Courthouse, County Board Room.

Meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m. following a motion by John Korth and a second by Don Zillig. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes.